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REVEALS THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITY ALONG THE INFILTRATION TRAIL THROUGH THE VIETNAM DEMILITARIZED ZONE AND THE ADJACENT PORTION OF THE LAGTIAN PANHANDLE:

THE TELECOMMUNICATION LINE GENERALLY PARALLELING THE INFILTRATION TRAIL HAS BEEN EXTENDED AND POLES ARE OBSERVED TO EXIST WEST OF THEIR PREVIOUS TERMINUS (REF) AT 1654N 10633E (UTM XD661690). POLES ARE OBSERVED EXTENDING FROM 1653N 10633E (UTM XD657682) WITHIN THE NVN DMZ, GENERALLY SOUTHWEST INTO LAOS TO THE END OF DISCERNIBILITY AT 1653N 10631E (UTM XD631675). 1.4 NM WEST OF THE LAOS/NVN BORDER. ALL POLES CONTAIN TWO INSULATORS AND WIRES ARE INTERMITTENTLY OBSERVED. THE TELE-COMMUNICATION LINE COULD NOT BE FOLLOWED FURTHER WEST SINCE IT APPEARS THAT TREES ARE POSSIBLY BEING USED IN LIEU OF POLES AND

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NO CLEARED PATH HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED (BB).

- 2. SIXTEEN CANOES ARE OBSERVED ON THE SE BANG HIENG (RIVER)
  BETWEEN 1653N 10628E AND 1653N 10633E.
- 3. FIVE PARTIALLY CONCEALED SHELTER FRAMEWORKS ARE OBSERVED IN THE TREES IMMEDIATELY SOUTH OF THE TRAIL AT 1652N 10630E (UTM XD616668). DEGREE OF ACTIVITY CANNOT BE DETERMINED DUE TO THE HEAVY TREE CANOPY.

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MAP REF: GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES FROM USATC SERIES 200 SHEET 0617-19HL.

UTM COORDINATES FROM AMS SERIES L7012 SHEET 6261 I AND AMS SERIES L701 SHEET 6361 IV. GP-1

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